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Subject: Donlin Gold Project - Update on the Human Health Risk Assessment



Hi Lon,

I wanted to give you an update regarding the Donlin Gold Project Human Health Risk Assessment.

The Corps really appreciated EPA's comments on the HHRA. AECOM has incorporated our comments on the Request for Information to Donlin and the Scope of Work for the HHRA.

Donlin's contractors will be preparing the HHRA using existing data that has been developed for the Human Health section of the EIS, such as the Health Impact Assessment prepared by the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services. The plan is to have a draft HHRA completed by late summer. The Corps plans to have the cooperating agencies review the draft HHRA and follow up with a meeting to discuss comments.

Regarding the HHRA Work Group proposal, the Corps feels that we currently have a work group comprised of the representatives and SMEs from the cooperating agencies. The Corps does not believe there is a need to coordinate a separate work group for the HHRA, but to utilize the cooperating agency SMEs or a subset of the agencies' SMEs to discuss/evaluate the HHRA work.

Let me know if you have any questions regarding the Corps' approach for the HHRA. If you think we should have a separate meeting with the Corps to further discuss the HHRA, I can arrange that.

**Thanks** 

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